

# Rochester Numismatic Association Meeting Minutes



1912

	R. N. A. MEETINGS		Prepared By	Robert	E.	Doty	01/05/2004
PRESIDENTS TERM		1912	01/04/1912	to 12/31/1912			
PRESIDENTIAL MEDAL YEAR & MEDAL NUMBER			1913	1			
PRESIDENT			Dr. George	P.	French		
VICE-PRESIDENT			H.	H.	Rawley *		
* Acting Chairman on 1/4/12 - suspended on 12/17/12 from RNA							
SECRETARY			Harry	H.	Yeager		
TREASURER			Fred	E.	Merritt		
OTHER CLUB MEDALS	NONE			Quantity	COST		
1912 ANA Medal Bar & Ribbon made by Whitehead & Hoag Co., Newark, N.J.			150	\$0.27			
Rochester, N.Y. August 26-27-28, 1912							
MEETING PLACE =	HOTEL ROCHESTER						
MEETINGS 1st. & 3rd.	Tuesday	Tuesday					
Month	Date	Date					
JANUARY	4	16					
mtg. #	1	2					
FEBRUARY	6	20					
mtg. #	3	4					
MARCH	5	19					
mtg. #	5	6					
APRIL	2	6					
mtg. #	7	8					
MAY	7	21					
mtg. #	9	10					
JUNE	4	18					
mtg. #	11	12					
JULY	2	16					
mtg. #	13	14					
AUGUST	6	20	8/26-28/12				
mtg. #	15	16	A.N.A. Conv.				
SEPTEMBER	3	17					
mtg. #	17	18					
OCTOBER	1	15					
mtg. #	19	20					
NOVEMBER	8	19					
mtg. #	21	22					
DECEMBER	3	17					
mtg. #	23	24					
French PRESIDENTIAL MEDAL STRUCK BY Bastian Brothers Co. , Rochester, N.Y.							
Joseph A. Koeb - Sculptor & Die Cutter							
		Metal	Medals Made	COST			
#ed 1 - 50	Old French	Bronze	50	\$1.75			
		Silver	5	\$4.25	J. A. Koeb Silver medal = \$5.00 (1/20/14)		
		Lead	1	\$3.00	Unique		
		Copper	A Few				
		White Metal	A Few				
Different Finishes	Uniface		3				
	Restrike	Bronze	10	06/19/1923			



PREAMBLE

of Rochester Numismatists, who met at Hotel Rochester at 8.30 P.M.

January 4, 1912, to arrange a local organization. Those present:

Dr. G. P. French,	15 Clifton Street
Mr. H. H. Rowley,	84 Reynolds St. ----- Chairman
W. H. Amberg,	60 Hudson Avenue ----- Sec'y Pro Tem
F. E. Merritt,	45 Calumet St.
W. J. Ballard,	246 Central Park
F. B. King,	781 Harvard St.
L. J. Woolsey,	126 Rutgers St.
A. H. Plumb,	24 Rowley St.
M. S. Gillette,	530 Plymouth Ave.
I. B. Bernstein,	79 Emerson St.
G. J. Bauer,	Culver Road & Bay St.
H. H. Yawger,	78 Linden St.
Jos. T. Alling,	400 Oxford St.
Jos. Hooper,	80 Emerson St.
W. J. Reynolds,	123 Chestnut St.

Acting Chairman H. H. Rowley called the meeting to order. The following officers were elected:

President,	Dr. G. P. French
Vice President,	H. H. Rowley
Secretary,	H. H. Yawger
Treasurer,	F. E. Merritt

Motion by H. H. Rowley (carried) to appoint Government Board to act as Trustee and Committee to frame Constitution and By-Laws. Governing Board appointed by President: Joseph Hooper, H. H. Rowley, Joseph T. Alling.

Motion made and carried that meetings be held on the first and third Tuesday of each month.

Moved and carried that a vote of thanks be tendered Mr. Wm. Horstman, Manager of the Hotel Rochester, for his kindness in donating room for the meeting of the Numismatic Association of Rochester.

Moved and seconded that the next meeting be held on January 16, 1912 at 8.15 P. M., Motel Rochester.

Motion made and seconded that meeting be adjourned.

W. H. Amberg,

Sec'y Pro Tem

Rochester, N. Y., Jan. 4, 1912

ROCHESTER NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION

Constitution

Article I. Name - This Association shall be known as the Rochester Numismatic Association.

Article II. Object - The object of the Association shall be to bring the Numismatists of this section into a closer union, to be cemented by bonds of goodfellowship; also that its members may write papers and give talks on coins at the regular meetings and do everything in their power to stimulate the science of numismatics.

Article III. Membership - Any person of good character who is trustworthy and approved by members of the Association, after a proper ballot, may become a member by attaching his name to the Constitution and paying into the Treasury the sum of \$ ----- every three months in advance.

Article III amended at meeting of February 6, 1912, as follows:  
"All members except honorary members shall pay the sum of \$2.00 yearly in advance, payable first meeting in January of each year, which with the initiation fee, shall be appropriated to defray the expenses of the Association, and no member who is in arrears for more than three months shall be permitted the rights of membership until such delinquencies are paid."

Article IV. Officers - The officers of this Association shall consist of a President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and an Executive Committee, to be elected as the members of this Association shall determine.

Article V. President - It shall be the duty of the President to preside at all meetings of this Association, to preserve order, to appoint all Committees, and to assume such further duties as usually appertain to the presiding officers of assemblies.

Article VI. Vice President - It shall be the duty of the Vice President to preside in the absence of the President, and during such absence, to perform the duties of that officer.

Article VII. Secretary - It shall be the duty of the Secretary to keep the minutes of the meeting of this Association, register the names of members, issue all notices required, and to do such correspondence as by resolution may be ordered.

Article VIII. Treasurer - It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to keep an account of all moneys received and expended and to report as to the condition of the treasury as often as shall be required of him by the Association.

Article IX. Executive Committee - It shall be the duty of the Executive Committee to provide a place for holding the meetings of the Association, to act as a committee on Constitution and By-Laws and rules for the Association.

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Article X. Duration in Office - Each of the officers of this Association shall hold his respective office for the term of one year from the first meeting in January thereof. If any member shall take office at any time during the year, to fill the unexpired term of any officer, he shall hold that office to the end of the same year.

Article XI. Election of Officers.-- The election of officers of this Association shall take place at the last meeting in December of each year. The officers so elected shall take their respective positions at the first meeting in January following.

Article XII. Removals - Should any officer refuse or neglect to discharge the duties of the office to which he shall have been elected, he may be removed by a majority vote of the Association.

Article XIII. Amendments - No alteration, either by addition or amendment of the constitution, shall be made without previous notice of one meeting, when the change to be made shall be indicated by resolution. This change shall come up as a special order of business on the evening designated for its introduction and be then considered by the members present, who shall be a quorum of the entire active membership of the Association. A two-thirds vote in the affirmative being necessary to adoption.

Article XIV. Honorary Members - This Association, by a two-thirds vote at any quorum meeting, shall have power to admit persons as Honorary Members, who will be entitled to the privileges of the Association but shall not be amenable to the rules and regulations prescribed for a regular or active member.

Article XV. Quorum - A quorum shall consist of at least five members.

Amendments

See minutes Sept 17 1912

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ROCHESTER NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION

By-Laws

Article I. Meetings - This Association shall meet on the first and third Tuesday of every month for the transaction of such business as shall be up for consideration, in the order hereinafter named:

Article II. Fees - The members-elect shall, before full admission, pay to the Treasurer the sum of \$ , which shall be the initiation fee.

Article III. Dues - All members, except honorary members, shall pay the sum of \$ quarterly in advance, which, with the initiation fees, shall be appropriated to defray the expenses of the Association; and no member who is in arrears for more than one full quarter shall be permitted the rights of membership until such delinquencies are paid.

X *amended  
see 3/1911*

Article IV. Expulsions - Any member who shall refuse to conform to the Constitution, By-Laws and regulations of the Association may, by a two-thirds vote of a quorum meeting, be expelled. But no vote shall be taken without one week's previous notice of a resolution for such expulsion. When such vote is taken, the member under vote shall be heard in his own defense.

Article V. Amendments - These By-Laws may be amended by a majority vote, notice of such alteration or amendment having been given at a previous meeting.

Article VI. Special Meetings - a special meeting of the Association may be ordered by the President upon the written request of five or more members.

Article VII. Voting - All voting for officers or members shall be by voice (or ballot, at the option of the members) the majority ruling.

Article VIII. Committees - All Committees ordered by a vote of the Association shall be appointed by the President; and all members appointed on said committees must act, unless excused by a vote of the Association.

Article IX. Order of Business - The order of business for each regular meeting shall be as follows, unless by special vote or constitutional provision a change shall be made in this order, viz.:

1. The call of order by the President;
2. Calling the roll by the Secretary, or his substitute, the Treasurer, in the Secretary's absence;
3. Reading the minutes of the previous meeting, by the Secretary;
4. Verbal propositions for membership;
5. Voting for members proposed at previous meeting;
6. Report of standing committees; of the Secretary; of the Treasurer;

7. Report of special Committees;
8. Special order of business;
9. Reading of paper on some coin subject, discussion of coins and exhibition of coins;
10. Unfinished business;
11. New business;
12. Adjournment.

Hotel Rochester,  
January 16, 1912

Meeting called to order by President French.

Members present: Messrs. Plumb, Amberg, Yawger, Rowley, Bernstein, and French.

The Constitution and By-Laws were read by Secretary, and after some discussion, were accepted as read.

President French announced that Mr. Hooper and Mr. Alling could not act on Executive Committee, and appointed Messrs. Bernstein and Plumb to act in their place.

President French read an interesting article on coins, exhibiting specimens of clay money.

Motion made by Mr. Rowley, and carried, that the article be kept on file by the Association.

Meeting adjourned to Tuesday, February 6th.

H. H. Yawger,

Secretary

Hotel Rochester,  
February 6, 1912

Meeting called to order by President French.

Members present: Messrs. French - Rowley - Amberg - Merritt - Plumb - Bernstein - Yawger - Amberg - Lawless - Holcomb - Ballard.

Order of business opened with Rule No. 4. The following named were proposed for membership, and accepted:

L. Amberg,	222 Avenue A
A. Holcomb,	399 Hayward Avenue
D. F. Lawless,	28 Oxford Street

Motion made that Article III of the By-Laws be amended to read:  
"All members except honorary members shall pay the sum of \$2.00 yearly in advance, payable first meeting in January of each year, which with the initiation fee shall be appropriated to defray the expenses of the Association, and no member who is in arrears for more than three months shall be permitted the rights of membership until such delinquencies are paid." Motion carried.

Motion made by Mr. Merritt and carried that until July 1, 1912, the initiation fee be suspended and any member joining the Association previous to that time will be considered a charter member.

Under "special business" President French suggested having the Convention of the American Numismatic Association held in this city in the first part of September, this year. He read a letter from Mr. Green, Secretary of the Chicago Numismatic Association, giving an outline of what it costs for entertainment, etc. for the convention held there last year, and spoke in favor of having the convention held here this year if enough funds could be raised for expenses. Motion made by Mr. Rowley and carried that a committee of three be appointed by the President to meet the Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce in regard to raising money for bringing the convention to Rochester. The President appointed on this committee - Mr. Merritt, Mr. Lawless, and Mr. Woolsey.

Mr. Merritt read an article on Earliest Colonial Coinage of America, which was much enjoyed by all members present. Motion made and carried that the thanks of the members be presented to Mr. Merritt and that his paper be placed on file.

Motion made by Mr. Rowley and carried that members who had duplicates or traders in their collections, bring them to the meeting for exchange or sale.

Motion made by Mr. Holcomb and carried that a question box be opened for the use of the members

Motion made by Mr. Rowley and carried that the Secretary purchase books and stationery necessary for the transaction of business of the Association.

Meeting adjourned to February 20, 1912.

H. H. Yawger,

Secretary

Hotel Rochester  
Tuesday, February 20, 1912

Meeting called to order by President French.

Members present: French - Rowley, W.H. Amberg - Merritt - Ballard - Woolsey - Plumb - Gillette - Bauer - Yawger - L. Amberg.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Mr. Merritt proposed the name of Dr. S. Handler, Jewish Orphan Asylum, for membership, who was duly elected. Dr. Handler notified of his election February 22, 1912.

Committee appointed to see the Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce in regard to raising money for the Convention reported that they had been unable to meet, but would make report at next meeting.

Mr. Bauer exhibited a fine large collection of Chinese money, showing the razor, saddle and other curiously shaped coins, dating back to the dark ages. Mr. Bauer told in an entertaining manner how he secured some of this collection through a missionary, auction sales, etc.

Motion made by Mr. W. H. Amberg and carried that Mr. Jos. Hooper be made an Honorary Member, and to notify him to that effect, - also that Secretary write congratulating him on his 79th birthday.

Report of Treasurer, - as follows:	Cash Received,	\$ 8.00
	Expenditures,	<u>4.61</u>
	Balance,	3.39

Motion made by President and carried that report be accepted.

Motion made and carried that the President and two members be appointed to select a design for letter heads--. Members appointed: French, Merritt, and Bauer.

Meeting adjourned to Tuesday, March 5, 1912.

H. H. Yawger,

Secretary

Hotel Rochester  
Tuesday, March 5, 1912

Meeting called to order by President French.

Members present: French - Rowley - W. H. Amberg - Merritt - Ballard - Plumb - Bernstein - Yawger - Hooper - L. G. Amberg - Handler.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

President French proposed for membership: W. L. Williams, Shepard St., and E. L. Stanley, 123 State Street, who were duly elected and were notified of their election by the Secretary on March 8th, 1912.

The Committee appointed to see the Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce reported that Mr. Woodward had been ill and was at present in Bermuda, and that they would see him upon his return.

Committee appointed to see to getting up letter head design had not met, but will report at next meeting.

President French introduced Mr. Hooper in an appropriate manner, in recognition of his study and great knowledge of numismatics. Mr. Hooper responded by thanking the President for his remarks, also thanked the members for electing him Honorary member of the Rochester Numismatic Association, which he considered a great honor. Mr. Hooper exhibited a photograph of the members attending the Detroit Convention of the American Numismatic Association in 1894, also a letter from the King of England in acknowledgment of notes and papers sent in regard to numismatic matters. Mr. Hooper then read a paper that he had read at the third annual convention of the American Numismatic Association held in Chicago August 21st, 1893, entitled "Coin, their Origin and Aid in Historic Research", which was put in The Numismatist of June-July, 1894. The paper was thoroughly enjoyed and appreciated by all the members and a vote of thanks was extended to Mr. Hooper.

A talk was then given by President French on his series of 1797 cents, which he exhibited, showing 18 varieties, all of which were either in uncirculated or extremely fine condition, two of them being unique. This series of 1797 cents is without doubt the finest ever collected, and will probably never be surpassed. Dr. French explained each piece in detail, showing the different varieties and giving the comparative rarity of each variety. There were three different varieties of indented edge, all uncirculated and one unique, two varieties with stemless wreath, one with wide date, with R of liberty set on forelock of the Goddess. This latter specimen is very rare and was shown in extremely fine and bold condition. The other variety with stemless wreath and compact date was in beautiful uncirculated condition and is the only uncirculated specimen known. The exhibition of this series of cents was a great treat to all present.

A motion was made and carried that the porter be given 50 cents each meeting.

For'd  
March 5, 1912

The Treasurer's report of receipts and disbursements was read and accepted.

Meeting was then adjourned to Tuesday, March 19, 1912.

H. H. Yawger

Secretary

Hotel Rochester  
Tuesday, March 19, 1912

Meeting called to order by Vice President Rowley.

Members present: Rowley - W. H. Amberg - Ballard - Woolsey - Plumb - Gillette - Bernstein - Yawger - L. G. Amberg.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

No report of Committee to see Chamber of Commerce in regard to convention matter.

No report of Committee of letter heads.

Report of Treasurer read and approved.

*Amberg*  
Mr. Rowley offered the use of his office in the Granite Building for meetings, stating that the only objection to meeting there would be that there would be no elevator service after 10 o'clock.

The meeting was very informal, most of the members present having some coin to exhibit and sell.

Meeting adjourned to Tuesday, April 2, 1912.

H. H. Yawger,

Secretary

Hotel Rochester  
Tuesday, April 2, 1912

7<sup>th</sup> Meeting called to order by President French.

Members present: French - W. H. Amberg - Merritt - Woolsey - Plumb - Yawger - L. G. Amberg - Stanley.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

President French proposed for membership Arthur S. Bostwick, 77 Averill Avenue, who was duly elected and notified of his election by the Secretary on April 5th.

Report of Treasurer read and approved.

The Committee appointed to see the Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce reported that they could not get in touch with Mr. Woodward but would report at next meeting.

Committee on letter head submitted design - Greek tetradrachma of Alexander, N. Y. American Colonial Excelsior cent and U. S. Chain cent of 1793. Motion was made and carried that the design be accepted and order given to have same printed.

Dr. French exhibited his series of 1820 and 1821 cents, the 1820 over 1819 being the only specimen known in proof condition:  
1820 small perfect date, red;  
1820 small 2 in date, uncirculated, red;  
1820 small 2 in date, cracked die, uncirculated, red;  
also 5 other varieties same date, all in uncirculated condition;  
1821 wide date, perfect N in cent, uncirculated, red;  
1821 wide date, imperfect N in cent, uncirculated, red;  
1821, close date, very rare, extra fine;  
1821 proof, steel color, close date.

Meeting adjourned to April 16, 1912.

H. H. Yawger

Secretary

Hotel Rochester  
Tuesday, April 16, 1912

Meeting called to order, - President French presiding.

Members present: French - Rowley - W. H. Amberg - Merritt - Ballard - Woolsey - Plumb - Gillette - Bernstein - Yawger - L. G. Amberg - Hawkins - Soper.

Minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

Under verbal proposition for membership President French proposed:

Mr. E. H. Hawkins, Canandaigua, N. Y.

Mr. Rowley proposed:

Mr. Ernest Soper, 84 Reynolds Street  
who were duly elected, and both gentlemen being present, President French announced that they were now members of the Rochester Numismatic Ass'n.

The Committee on letter heads reported that they expected to have them at the meeting but were disappointed; that the letter heads would be ready in a few days and would be shown at the next meeting.

Treasurer's report read and accepted.

Committee appointed to see the Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce in regard to raising funds, etc. to carry on the work of having the Convention of the American Numismatic Association held here this year reported that they had seen Mr. Woodward, who stated that in his opinion, there would be no difficulty in raising sufficient funds, and requested that the Rochester Association write him a letter enumerating the benefits such a convention would bring to this city. It was moved and carried that a committee of five be appointed to confer with Mr. Woodward; President French appointed Messrs. Woolsey, Gillette, Merritt, Ballard, and W. H. Amberg.

Motion made and carried that a letter of thanks be sent to Mr. E. H. Adams, Editor and Publisher of the Numismatist for his gift to the Association of a copy of his work on "Private Gold Coinage III, Various Californian Private Mints, 1849-55", and that this be placed on file with the papers of the Association for reference. Secretary was also requested to thank Mr. Adams for the copies of the March 1912 Numismatist, which were distributed among the members with the hope that they will all eventually become members of the American Numismatic Association, and to express our appreciation of Mr. Adams' kindness in publishing notices of our meetings, etc.

Motion was made and carried that an invitation be sent in the name of this Association to Mr. H. O. Granberg, Chairman of the Board of Governors of the American Numismatic Association, to hold the 1912 Convention of the American Numismatic Association in this city about the middle of September, either the week before or the week after the convention of the American Philatelic Association, which will be held in Springfield, Mass. in September, 1912, so that members of that Association who are affiliated with the American Numismatic Association may stop off at Rochester and attend our Convention.

Tuesday, April 16, 1912 - 2.

Mr. Merritt exhibited a complete set of fractional currency of the regular issues, including postage currency without A. B. & Co. on back, all in crisp condition. Among the rarities was a 50 cent Justice, on heavy fibre paper, with autograph signature - Colby & Spinner; a 50 cent Spinner, on heavy fibre paper, with autograph signature - Colby & Spinner; 25 cent Fessenden on heavy fibre paper; 15 cent Grant & Sherman, with autograph signature - Allison & Spinner; 10 cent autograph signature - Jeffrey & Spinner.

A Saxon Thaler of Frederick and George, dated 1530 was shown by L. G. Amberg.

Dr. French exhibited a gold coin of Magnentius of Rome, 350-353 A.D.; a full large Mass. shilling with full border, in beautiful condition, also a 1801 cent, uncirculated condition, with the 1/100 cut over 1/000, very rare in this condition.

Meeting then adjourned to Tuesday, May 7, 1912.

H. H. Yawger,

Secretary.

Hotel Rochester,  
Tuesday, May 7, 1912

Meeting called to order - Vice President Rowley presiding.

Members present: Rowley - W. H. Amberg - Merritt - Woolsey - Plumb -  
Yawger - Hooper - L.G. Amberg - Handler - Stanley - Soper -  
Harold - Emerich.

Minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

Under verbal propositions for membership, Mr. Merritt proposed Mr. E. G. Emerich, Fairport, N. Y. and Mr. Yawger proposed Mr. C. A. Harold, of 156 Tremont Street, both of whom being present, the presiding officer announced their election to membership in the Rochester Numismatic Ass'n.

No report of Committee on letter heads, the chairman of said Committee being absent.

No report on Convention matters, Chairman of committee being absent.

Mr. Hooper then read a paper, part of which is given below:  
"Why should the science of Numismatics be a sealed book? Has not the collecting of the tangible, truthful old time records of coins and medals instructive, useful, elevating influences and lessons? Have we not educational agencies from the study of the sculpture of the ancient Greeks, Etruria, Rome, Egypt, Asia, Byzantium, Pisa, Florence? There are certain coins which contain in the circle of an inch in diameter most of the finest qualities of sculpture, the subtlest record of the harmonies of line and form. The coinage of Greece during the four centuries prior to the complete subjection of the Greek nation is a school of art. Taken collectively, the coins of Greece give a better demonstration of the beginning, the rise and death and decay of art, and a better explanation of the causes of that growth and decline than can be found in all the records and remains; besides, the numismatic chronicle is one of the important aids of history, political, commercial or economic. What originality in type, what mastery in the execution of these types. Greek coinage demonstrated that the race to which it owed its existence was more conversant with the qualities of beauty and had a finer spiritual constitution than any other race of which we have any record. When other nations were buried in barbarism or sensuality, this nation was showing the most intense vitality, the finest mental susceptibilities and the purest moral qualities that mankind has ever shown, and such as no age, before or since, of which we know, has been able to show. But here we pause, - our apology ceases, the digest too many for a condensed article such as this."

A vote of thanks was offered to Mr. Hooper by the members present.

Meeting adjourned to Tuesday, May 21, 1912.

H. H. Yawger,

Secretary

Hotel Rochester  
Tuesday, May 21, 1912

10<sup>th</sup> Meeting called to order - President French presiding.

Members present: French - Rowley - W. H. Amberg - Merritt - Plumb - Bernstein - Bauer - Yawger - L. G. Amberg - Stanley - Soper - Emerich.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

In regard to matter of Convention - President read letter of invitation sent to Mr. H. O. Granberg, Chairman of the Board of Governors of the American Numismatic Association to hold Convention in this city, also Mr. Granberg's reply accepting the invitation, naming dates of August 26 - 27 - 28. The Committee reported that they had secured permission from the Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce and that Convention Hall would be at our disposal for the above dates. The matter of financing was discussed, and to properly entertain the 75 or 100 visitors expected, it was thought necessary to raise about \$350.00, and it was decided that a call be sent out to each member asking him to subscribe whatever amount he felt he could afford to give towards this fund. Motion made and carried that Secretary be instructed to send out a call to each member, enclosing a stamped envelope for reply, - amount subscribed to be paid at the time and in the way most convenient on or before August 1, 1912.

Motion made and carried that a Committee be appointed to draft a membership application blank - President appointed Messrs. Rowley, Bauer and Yawger.

Motion carried that a Librarian be appointed to keep all books, price catalogues and pamphlets, subject to loan to any member on request; books, catalogues or papers not to be kept by any one person longer than one week at a time. All books, catalogues and pamphlets received during the term of office of the librarian appointed, to be turned over to his successor upon the expiration of his term. Mr. Yawger was appointed librarian by the President. ✓

Motion made and carried that a library fund be established to purchase books, etc., and that an assessment of 25 cents be made on <sup>ACTIVE</sup> ~~each~~ member, Motion also carried that out of the library fund the Association should purchase Adams' photographic plates of Low Hard Times Tokens, price \$5.25. ✓

Report of Treasurer read and approved. Bill for printing amounting to \$4.85 was ordered paid. Amount received on account of library fund, \$2.75, turned over to Treasurer.

Mr. Bauer exhibited an interesting collection of over 100 silver pieces of the finest period in Greek Art - 500 to 300 B.C. - each piece being in beautiful condition. The Tetradrachm of the three Kings of Tyre - 177 to 185 B.C. - attracted special attention as the eagle on the reverse resembles the eagle on our new gold coins. Mr. Bauer spoke in detail of the rarities, also related some of his experiences in getting this collection of Greek coins together, all of which was greatly enjoyed by his hearers.

Meeting adjourned to Tuesday, June 4, 1912.

H. H. Yawger,  
Secretary

Hotel Rochester  
Tuesday, June 4, 1912

Meeting called to order - President French presiding.

Members present: French - Rowley - W. H. Amberg - Merritt - Woolsey -  
Plumb - Bauer - Yawger - E. G. Amberg - Stanley - Soper -  
Emerich -

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Committee on application blanks showed proof of the blanks and motion was  
made and carried that they be accepted and printed.

Letter head Committee showed letter head they had had printed; motion was  
made and carried that they be accepted and Committee was discharged.

Dr. French presented to the Library a copy of the American Numismatic  
Association Year Book.. ✓

A vote of thanks was extended Mr. Rowley for his kindness in furnishing a  
loose-leaf leather covered binder for photographs of Hard Time Tokens. ✓

Motion made and carried that the President be empowered to appoint the  
several Committees in regard to Convention matters, Committees to consist  
of two members each, and that they be called respectively:

Reception Committee

Credentials and Badges Committee

Floor and Arrangement Committee

President appointed Messrs. Rowley and Soper for Badge and Credentials Committee.

Motion made by Mr. Rowley that the President appoint Printing and Publicity  
Committee of two members, to serve the balance of the year and to act with  
the President in caring for all printing, press matters, etc.

Treasurer's report read and approved.

Bauer Merritt + Yawger  
L.A. Karsel

Meeting adjourned to Tuesday, June 18, 1912.

H. H. Yawger, Sec'y

Hotel Rochester  
Tuesday, June 18, 1912

Meeting called to order - President French presiding.

Members present: French - Rowley - W. H. Amberg - Merritt - Ballard - Woolsey - Plumb - Yawger - Hooper - L. G. Amberg - Handler - Stanley - Soper - Harold.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Mr. Merritt reported that we had \$215.00 actually pledged towards the fund for Convention expenses, and that practically enough automobiles had been promised to take care of the visitors for the automobile ride. Mr. Merritt also reports that McGurdy & Norwell have two show cases which they will loan us for exhibition purposes during the Convention. Mr. Merritt will furnish all the stands or horses to rest the show cases on.

The Badge Committee reports that Bastian Brothers quote a price of 12 1/2 ¢ each for badge with A. N. A. emblem, and for badge with extra rim and ribbon, 4 cents each additional. The Whitehead & Hoag Co. of Newark, N.J. are to submit bids for same designs, and the matter will be settled at next meeting.

Motion made and carried unanimously that Mr. E. H. Adams, the Publisher of "The Numismatist" be made honorary member of the Rochester Numismatic Association, in recognition of his many favors, presenting books, etc., to our library, and publishing notices in The Numismatist.

Mr. Adams presented our library with a copy of "Adams Premiums on Gold Coins" and motion was made and carried that the Secretary write and thank him for his kindness. ✓

Mr. Merritt presented the library with a price catalogue of the Taylor sales, with a set of plates. Motion made and carried that a vote of thanks be extended Mr. Merritt

The President appointed following Convention Committees:

Entertainment - Yawger, Merritt, Bauer and Gillette.

Floor and Reception - L. G. Amberg, Woolsey, Plumb, Bernstein, Handler.

Credentials and Badges - Rowley and Soper.

Publicity - Harold, Yawger, Bauer and Merritt.

Decorations - W. H. Amberg and Yawger.

Motion made and carried that a notice be published in "The Numismatist" that anyone expecting to make an exhibit during the Convention might send their coins, etc. in care of the Secretary, to be held until called for.

Bill for printing application blanks amounting to \$3.50 was ordered paid.

Treasurer's report read and approved.

Meeting adjourned to July 2, 1912.

H. H. Yawger,  
Secretary

Hotel Rochester  
Tuesday, July 2, 1912

<sup>13</sup> Meeting called to order- President French presiding.

Members present: French - Rowley - W. H. Amberg - Merritt - Ballard -  
Plumb - Bauer - Yawger - L. G. Amberg - Handler -  
Stanley - Soper - Hawkins - Harold.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Applications for membership received from the following, who were  
duly elected and notified of their election:

Mr. J. M. Henderson,	Columbus, Ohio
Ben. G. Green,	Chicago, Ill.
Waldo C. Moore,	Lewisburg, Ohio.

The Badge Committee reported that they had not yet selected style of  
badge, and showed design for one submitted by the Whitehead & Hoag Co.,  
cost of which would be 20 cents each in lots of 150, and it was voted upon  
and carried that this badge be accepted, but as the price exceeded what was  
first thought enough to pay for a badge, it was moved and carried that  
each active member be assessed 50 cents to help defray the extra expense.

Treasurer's report read and approved.

Meeting was then adjourned to Tuesday, July 16, 1912.

H. H. Yawger,

Secretary

Hotel Rochester  
Tuesday, July 16, 1912

14<sup>th</sup> Meeting called to order - President French presiding.

Members present + French - Rowley - W. H. Amberg - Merritt - Woolsey - Plumb - Yawger - Hooper - L. G. Amberg - Soper - Harold.

Applications for membership received from Mr. Henry Chapman, of Philadelphia, Pa., and Mr. Max Mehl of Fort Worth, Texas, who were duly elected as members.

Mr. Harold presented the Association with membership cards, which will be numbered and given to each member in their order of joining the Ass'n. A vote of thanks was tendered Mr. Harold for his kindness.

Bill from Bryan & Eichelman for letter heads and envelopes amounting to \$4.50 was ordered paid.

It was moved and carried that the charter be amended so that anyone joining the R. N. A. before October 1, 1912 would be considered a charter member, instead of July 1, 1912, as originally adopted.

Mr. Rowley made a resolution that members of the R. N. A. display their collections of coins at the Convention, regardless of their value or rarity, the idea being to have as large a display as possible representing the R.N.A. Members will make exhibits as follows:

Dr. French,	U.S. Coppers, Cents and Half-cents
Mr. Rowley,	Indian Head and White U. S. Cents
Mr. Yawger,	3 and 5 cent Nickel Coins
Mr. L. G. Amberg,	Silver half-dollars
Mr. Merritt,	Gold Dollars and Fractional Currency
Mr. W. H. Amberg,	Canadian Coins
Mr. Woolsey,	Foreign Crowns and others
Mr. Soper,	2 cent pieces
Mr. Hooper,	Canadian Coins
Mr. Bauer,	Chinese, Greek and Roman Coins - Ancient & modern

Following letters were received and read:

Mr. B. H. Collins, of Washington D. C. wrote that on account of illness he would be unable to attend the Convention.

Mr. Farron Zerbe of Tyrone, Pa. wrote that he hoped to attend.

Mr. Carl Wurtzbach writes that he is trying to arrange matters so he can attend, and that he will make an exhibit of Washingtons and Colonial coins, more particularly Massachusetts, of which he has a fine lot, both in silver and copper, and he also has a very fine set of Phila. Gold Dollars.

Mr. Elmer S. Sears, of Swansea, Mass., advises that he will be present and will try and give as good a display of coins as possible.

Mr. R. W. McLachlan, of Montreal, Canada is planning to be in attendance at the Convention and has consented to read a paper on some subject of interest to Numismatists at the Convention.

Mr. S. Krausz of Chicago, Ill. has also promised to read a paper at the Convention, and names as his probable subject "Methods of forging Roman Coins; hints as to the detection of such falsifications."

of Lee,  
Mass.

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Mr. C. J. Vergeouter, of Chicago, Ill. writes that he does not expect to be able to attend the Convention, but that he will be pleased to forward his collection of French coins for exhibit, ~"some 400 specimens - illustrating the numismatic history of France, beginning with the earliest issues of ancient Gaul, in gold, silver, bronze and potin; the Merovingian period in gold and silver, the interesting silver deniers of the Carolingians, the gold ecus of St. Louis, and others showing nearly all the types; also specimens in silver and bullion of the same period down to Louis XIII, showing the first silver crown issued in that country. From this time on the different rulers would be represented by the silver crown or 5-franc piece, and if needed would add the smaller denominations to complete the set issued, including also a number of copper, bronze and nickel coins; a few fine tokens and essais of the revolution of 1789 would be an improvement, and a set of Napoleonic conquests illustrated by coins would not do any harm, in my estimation."

Mr. Lyman H. Low of New Rochelle writes that he will be unable to attend, on account of pressure of business during the month of August, and the same reason would prevent his preparing a paper to be read at the Convention.

Mr. Woolsey exhibited a piece of Swedish plate daler money which attracted a good deal of attention, as few of the members had ever seen anything like it.

President French had a plate catalogue and price list of the Earle sale and as most of the members were bidders at this sale, everyone wanted to see it at once and the book was in constant use the entire evening.

Meeting adjourned to Tuesday, August 6, 1912

Secretary

Hotel Rochester

Tuesday, August 6, 1912

15<sup>th</sup> Meeting called to order - President French presiding.

Members present: French - Rowley - W. H. Amberg - Merritt - Ballard - Woolsey - Plumb - Gillette - Bauer - Yawger - Hooper - L. G. Amberg - Stanley - Soper - Harold - Emerich.

Minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

The following applicants for membership were duly elected:

J. A. Koeb, 170 Linden Street, Rochester, N.Y.

Judson Brenner, DeKalb, Ill.

Wm. Hesslein, New Haven, Conn.

Report of Committee on show cases for the Convention: Mr. Stanley stated he had had an interview with Mr. Hoffman, who told him we could have all the cases they had in stock. Mr. Stanley and President French will see Mr. Hoffman and report how many cases they are able to obtain.

Report of Badge Committee: Order has been given to the Whitehead & Hoag Co. of Newark, N. J. for 150 badges, to cost 20 ¢ flat for metal part and 7 ¢ extra for suspender of red, white and blue ribbon with lettering "Convention American Numismatic Association at Rochester, N. Y., August 26 - 27 - 28, 1912"

It was moved and carried that an admission fee of 15 ¢ be charged the general public for the lectures and exhibits to be held at Convention Hall Tuesday evening, August 27, 1912, to help defray the expense of bringing the exhibit, etc. here.

Moved and carried that the Printing Committee have 2000 admission tickets printed; also that they have 200 tickets printed for admission to the dinner which is to be given the visitors at Hotel Rochester on Wednesday evening, August 28, 1912.

Mr. Koeb, head die engraver for Bastian Brothers, has kindly offered his services and will give a practical demonstration at Convention Hall of how the dies for coins, medals, etc. are cut. He will have a full line of tools at Convention Hall and will show just how this work is done.

Mr. Ben G. Green of Chicago, Ill. sent a copy of the Chicago Numismatic Association Bulletin, which was read with great interest as it contained a very nice account of what we expect to do at the Convention.

Mr. Merritt presented the library with a priced copy of his sale of U. S. Coins held January 12, 1897, sold by Ed Frossard, and a vote of thanks was extended Mr. Merritt for his kindness.

Meeting adjourned to August 20, 1912.

H. H. Yawger,

Secretary

Hotel Rochester  
Tuesday, August 20, 1912

Meeting called to order - President French presiding.

Members present - French - Rowley - W. H. Amberg - Merritt - Ballard - Plumb - Bauer - Yawger - Hooper - L. G. Amberg - Soper - Harold - Emerich - Koeb

Minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

Show Case Committee reported that they could borrow the following:

From Hoffman.	12 or 15 cases
Straus Bros.,	2
Dr. French,	1
McCurdy & Norwell,	4

It was moved and carried that the Committee rent additional number of cases required for the Convention.

Meeting adjourned to Tuesday, September 3, 1912.

H. H. Yawger

Secretary

Hotel Rochester  
Tuesday, September 3, 1912

Meeting called to order - President French presiding.

Members present: French - Rowley - Merritt - Ballard - Woolsey - Plumb - Bauer - Yawger - L. G. Amberg - Handler - Stanley - Soper - Harold - Emerich - Koeb - Bummell.

Verbal propositions for membership of the following were presented, voted on, and they were duly elected:

C. F. Clark, LeRoy, N. Y.

C. E. Bunnell, 21 Bly St., Rochester, N.Y.

Dr. Clifford Comfort, Barrington St., Rochester, N. Y.

Mr. Merritt stated that he had made a visit to Syracuse since the Convention and had had the pleasure of calling on Dr. Zimmerman. Dr. Zimmerman told him that he was very much pleased with his reception at the Convention; that he had had one of the best times of his life while in Rochester and wished to thank the members of the R. N. A. and would be most pleased to have any one of them call on him whenever in Syracuse.

Mr. Merritt read a letter from Mr. Henry Chapman of Philadelphia, thanking the R. N. A. for the pleasant time given him at the Convention, and congratulating the Rochester Association for the success of the Convention. It was moved and carried that the letter be placed on file.

A motion was made and carried that letters be sent the following persons thanking them for their kind assistance in helping to make the Convention a success: Mr. Sol Wile, Mr. A. P. Little, Mr. W. B. Hale, Mr. Henry Likly, Mr. D. M. Garson, Hotel Rochester, Captain Morse, Mr. Woodward, Sec'y of the Chamber of Commerce, Mr. C. S. Owen, Sup't of Public Safety, The Press, Mr. J. S. Vick, Mr. Wm. Stoltz, Dr. F. R. Smith, Mr. E. Osborn, Mr. S. Burritt, Mr. C. S. Anderson, Mr. Geo. H. Clune, Mr. L. J. Knapp, Mr. J. W. Cook, and Mr. E. A. Fletcher.

It was also moved and carried that E. H. Adams be paid \$5.25 for book of photographs of Hard Times Tokens.

Meeting adjourned to Tuesday, September 17, 1912.

H. H. Yawger,

Secretary

Hotel Rochester

Tuesday, September 17, 1912

Meeting called to order - President French presiding.

Members present: French - Rowley - W. H. Amberg - Merritt - Ballard - Plumb - Yawger - L. G. Amberg - Stanley - Harold - Clarke - Bunnell.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved

Mr. Merritt made report on Convention fund, showing total receipts \$366.50, disbursements \$286.72, leaving a balance in the Treasury of \$79.78. Report accepted and Committee dismissed.

Motion made and seconded that one of the A. N. A. 1912 Convention badges be presented to the Rochester Historical Society.

President French announced the death of Mr. Frank J. Bescher of Kansas City, while he was at Chicago after attending the Convention in Rochester. A resolution was passed that a letter of condolence be sent his relatives by the Rochester Numismatic Association.

President French read letters of congratulation on our successful convention from the following: Mr. H. O. Granberg, Mr. E. H. Adams, Mr. O. H. Chapman, Mr. B. Max Mehl, and Mr. F. J. Duffield.

A few of our members had the pleasure of meeting Mr. Geo. H. Blake, Associate Editor of the Numismatist, here in Rochester this week. He regretted that he was unable to attend the Convention on account of business elsewhere. Mr. Blake presented the R. N. A. with a copy of his work "United States Paper Money" and motion was made and carried that it be accepted and placed in the library, and a vote of thanks was tendered Mr. Blake for his kindness.

Motion made and carried that a vote of thanks be extended Mr. C. J. Verocuter of Chicago, Ill. for sending his collection of French coins for exhibition at the Convention, which attracted a great deal of attention and was greatly admired.

Motion made and carried that the following names be stricken from the membership roll of the Association on account of non-payment of dues: Mr. Holcomb - Mr. Lawless - Mr. Bostwick.

Motion made and carried that Article No. 1 of the Constitution of the R. N. A. be amended to read:

"Name - This Association shall be known as The Rochester Numismatic Association Branch to the American Numismatic Association."

Mr. Merritt exhibited his collection of gold dollars, which is complete with the exception of two dates, all in uncirculated or proof condition. Dr. French also showed his entire collection of cents and half-cents. It was with difficulty that the members attention could be drawn from these exhibits so as to go on with the meeting.

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Mr. Clarke, of LeRoy, N. Y., one of our new members, was present at the meeting and had a number of pieces with him ~~which~~ which were of much interest to all who saw them.

Meeting was adjourned to Tuesday, October 1st.

H. H. Yawger,

Secretary

Hotel Rochester  
Tuesday, October 1, 1912

Meeting called to order by President French.

Members present: French - Merritt - Rowley - Woolsey - Clarke - Plumb -  
Handler - Stanley - Ballard - Hooper - Bunnell - Harold -  
L. Amberg - W. H. Amberg - Soper - Bauer - Koeb.

Mr. Rowley made motion that we purchase sale catalogues whenever agreed upon by majority of members present at a meeting; motion carried.

Treasurer reported disbursements 50 cents.

Meeting adjourned to Tuesday, October 15, 1912.

Geo. J. Bauer

Acting Secretary

Hotel Rochester  
Tuesday, October 15, 1912

<sup>20th</sup> Meeting called to order - President French presiding.

Members present: French, Rowley, W. H. Amberg, Merritt, Ballard, Woolsey, Plumb, Yawger, Hooper, L. G. Amberg, Bostwick, Soper, Harold, Koeb, Clark, Bunnell, Webster.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Under proposals for membership, Mr. Merritt proposed Mr. M.R. T. Webster, of 141 Fulton Avenue, who was duly elected, and every member of the Association was pleased to have Mr. Webster join, not only for himself but that he is Curator of the Rochester Historical Society, with headquarters at Exposition Park, and it is expected that his association with us will be mutually beneficial both to himself and to our organization.

The Secretary distributed membership cards, numbered in the order of members joining, also distributed list of members of this association, with their addresses.

The final reports of all the Convention Committees were received and approved. The President discharged the several Committees, with thanks.

Mr. Rowley moved that as we had a few of the Convention badges left, that they be held for sale to new members, at 50 ¢ each; motion carried.

Mr. Merritt suggested that the Association have an anniversary medal struck. Mr. Koeb, a member of the Association, being an expert die maker, it was decided that the matter be talked over with him and a report be made at next meeting.

There was a lengthy discussion about the Association taking up the work of describing and photographing Hard Times Tokens, continuing on with and revising both Lowe's and Adams' works. Mr. Bunnell, who is an expert photographer, offered his services as photographer, and as several of our members are strong on Hard Times Tokens, it was thought feasible to publish a work that would be a credit to our Association and of great assistance to anyone collecting such Tokens; the work is to be in pocket size and arranged differently from any other book on the series. The matter was laid on the table for further discussion at next meeting.

Mr. Clark, of LeRoy, N. Y. had a large display of coins, etc., among which was part of a 15,000-pieces purchase of Confederate paper money, and proof set of 20 cent pieces.

Mr. Bunnell distributed pasters giving the names of people in the Convention Pictures.

The Rochester Numismatic Association acknowledged with thanks Bulletin of the Chicago Numismatic Association, Elmer E. Sears' Fixed Price Catalogue, and Fixed Price catalogue of the United States Coin Co.

Meeting adjourned to November 5, 1912.

H. H. Yawger,

Secretary

Hotel Rochester  
Friday, November 8, 1912

Meeting called to order - President French presiding.

Members present: French - Rowley - W. H. Amberg - Merritt - Woolsey - Plumb - Yawger - Hooper - L. G. Amberg - Stanley - Soper - Harold - Emerich - Koeb - Clark - Bunnell.

The subject of Anniversary medal was fully discussed. Mr. Koeb reported in regard to cost, etc, that it would depend upon the size, finish and impression, and that it would be impossible for him to have the medal ready by January 1, 1913. Mr. Merritt moved that a permanent committee be appointed and motion being carried, President French appointed the following: Mr. Koeb, Chairman, Mr. Merritt, and Mr. Yawger.

The matter of taking up the work of photographing and describing Hard Times Tokens by this Association was laid on the table for an indefinite period of time.

The Association, being very desirous of obtaining a copy of Lowe's book on Hard Times Tokens, finding that there is to be a copy of this work sold in the Max Mehl auction sale this month, it was moved and seconded that we put in a sliding bid of \$8.00 up to \$12.00 or \$15.00, leaving the matter of price to Mr. Mehl's judgment, and the Secretary was instructed to put in this bid.

Mr. Hooper read a paper on medals, as follows: "It afforded me great pleasure when an active collector, to gather in one group in my cabinet, placed in historical and chronological sequence, all medals (obtainable) struck especially to commemorate important epochs or events in American history, and of the United States in particular. This would be an interesting and educative study for our own organization, and form also an important exhibit at any future display of coins or in connection therewith: 'THE HISTORICAL MEDALS OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA'. 1. The Landing of Columbus. 2. Treaty of Peace with the Indians. 3. Battle of Bunker Hill. 4. Battle of Cowpens. 5. The Capture by Paul Jones of the Serapis. 6. The Evacuation of Boston by the British Troops. 7. The Libertas Americana Medal July 4, 1776. 8. Washington and Presidential Medals to date, and all others in sequential order bearing records of importance in the past history of the United States." He also added the following: "I don't care a brass farthing" owes its ~~MAXIM~~ origin to the days of James II of England, who debased the coinage and issued worthless brass farthings.

Mr. Woolsey exhibited a fine line of foreign Dollars or Thalers, which attracted a great deal of attention on account of their fine condition and quite a number of rarities. This was greatly appreciated by all, as many of the members had never seen any of these dollars before.

Dr. French exhibited the following Hard Times Tokens:

Lowe's No. 3 - No. 3; white metal; only one known. -  
No. 8, Straight ceriples to letters; - No. 8, curved ceriples to letters;  
No. 9; - No. 10; - No. 168; - No. 51, copper; - No. 52, brass, - No. 171, gilt;  
No. 56, copper; - No. 172, brass.

Mr. Merritt presented a price catalogue of C. A? Baldwin's European Dollars Silver Coins, gold coins, medals, etc., and a vote of thanks was presented Mr. Merritt for his kindness.

Meeting adjourned to Tuesday, December 3, 1912.

Hotel Rochester  
Tuesday, November 19, 1912

Meeting called to order - President French presiding.

Members present: French - Rowley - W. H. Amberg - Merritt - Ballard - Woolsey - Plumb - Bauer - Yawger - L. G. Amberg - Stanley - Soper - Harold - Emerich - Clark - Bunnell - Webster.

Minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

Mr. Koeb, Chairman of the Committee on Anniversary Medal, was ill and unable to attend meeting. Design was submitted and discussed, also the kind of medal, and after going over the matter thoroughly it was moved and carried that the medal be made of bronze and be 2 " in diameter. All the members were requested to submit a design for the medal, and a choice will be made later of the one deemed most suitable.

Mr. Emerich presented the Association with five price catalogues as follows, ✓  
for which he received the thanks of the Association:

Mehle Sales, French Collection September 28, 1912;  
Elder's Sales, Woodin Collection, March 1911;  
Sumner's Collection, June 1911;  
Chapman Sales, Groves Collection, January, 1912;  
Elder Sales, November 1911, Hard Times Tokens, etc.

Meeting adjourned to Tuesday, December 3.

H. H. Yawger,

Secretary

Hotel Rochester  
Tuesday, December 3, 1912

Meeting called to order - Mr. G. J. Bauer presiding.

Members present: French - W. H. Amberg - Merritt - Ballard - Bauer -  
Yawger - L. G. Amberg - Dr. Handler - Stanley - Soper -  
Harold - Emerich - Koeb - Clark - Bunnell.

Minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

The Committee on the anniversary medal requested that the matter be laid on the table until next meeting.

Under new business, charges were preferred against Mr. H. H. Rowley for actions unbecoming an officer and member of this Association, on account of his obtaining coins on consignment from members of the Association as well as from several out of town parties, all members of the A. N. A., and holding same for over three months, also making no reply to their requests for settlement or return of the coins. Mr. Rowley reported that the coins on consignment were stolen from him, and although detectives have worked faithfully on the case for some time, they have been unable to locate the coins or find any evidence that there was a theft. At our last meeting Mr. Rowley promised to write and explain matters to the out of town parties, telling how he would make settlement, but he failed to do so. Upon motion (Mr. Rowley not being present at this meeting) the Secretary was instructed to notify Mr. Rowley to appear at our next meeting to defend himself against any action that the Association shall deem necessary in the case, or if he prefers, he may send in his resignation, to take effect at once. In the event of his failure to appear at the meeting he will be suspended.

The following Amendments to the By-Laws were made and will be acted upon at next meeting:

Article III to read: DUES - All members, except honorary members, shall pay the sum of \$2.00 per year in advance, which with the initiation fees, shall be appropriated to defray the expenses of the Association; and no member who is in arrears for more than one full quarter shall be permitted the rights of membership until such delinquencies are paid.

Article IV to have following clause added: In the event of such member not being present when cited to appear, and not giving satisfactory reason, he may be expelled by a two-thirds vote of the members present.

Section II - Article IV: If any member shall receive coins from any other member of this Association or any member of the American Numismatic Association, or any other person, and shall keep the same for two months without settlement, unless specific arrangements are made with the owner of the coins, he may be expelled by a two-thirds vote of the members present.

Notice was given that nominations for officers for next year will take place at next meeting.

Mr. Koeb read a paper telling how coins and medals were made, illustrated by drawings showing the different parts of machinery necessary for the work. It was a splendid paper and thoroughly enjoyed, and a vote of thanks was extended to Mr. Koeb.

Meeting adjourned to Tuesday, December 17, 1912.

H. H. Yawger, Secretary

Hotel Rochester  
Tuesday, December 17, 1912

Meeting called to order - Mr. Stanley presiding.

Members present: French - Rowley - W. H. Amberg - Merritt - Ballard - Woolsey - Blumb - Gillette - Yawger - L. G. Amberg - Handler - Stanley - Bostwick - Harold - Emerich - Clark - Webster -

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

President French called attention to the fact that all members of the R. N. A. were not members of the A. N. A., and as there was some doubt as to whether it was necessary for a member of the R. N. A. to also be a member of the A. N. A., to be in good standing with the R. N. A. as Branch No. 2 of the A. N. A., the Secretary was instructed to write Mr. Granberg, Chairman of the Board of Governors for information on this point.

The matter of H. H. Rowley - against whom charges were made at last meeting - was then brought up: Mr. Rowley had been notified to appear at this meeting and defend himself against said charges, as follows, which were read to him, he being present:

- (1) He secured a lot of coins from Mr. Elmer S. Sears of Swansea, Mass., for which he failed to make satisfactory settlement. 2,000 coins were received from Mr. Sears by him, upon which he was to pay transporation charges (both ways, if returned) and for which he was to settle at the rate of 2 ¢ each if the entire lot was kept; 2½ ¢ each for 1,000 or more; 3 ¢ each if less than 1,000 were taken. He returned about 1200 of the coins to Mr. Sears, for which he paid at the rate of 2½ ¢ each, returning the balance "charges collect#", leaving a balance due Mr. Sears of \$5.03.
- (2) On September 3rd, 1912, he received a consignment of coins from Mr. E. H. Adams amounting to \$40.00, for which he has made no returns to date, neither has he made any explanation to Mr. Adams why the coins were being held.
- (3) On September 9, 1912 he obtained a lot of coins from Mr. Henry Chapman of Philadelphia, Pa. amounting to \$82.70, for which he has not paid Mr. Chapman and has made no explanation regarding settlement of return of the coins to Philadelphia.
- (4) On November 19th last Mr. Rowley promised Mr. Merritt and Mr. Yawger that he would write to Messrs. Adams and Chapman the next day, explaining that his coins had been stolen and advising them of what settlement he would make. Up to the present time he has failed to do as he agreed in this respect. On the same evening and previous to that time he made false statements to Mr. Merritt regarding the amount he owed to Mr. Adams and Mr. Chapman, stating that he owed Mr. Adams about \$25.00 and Mr. Chapman about \$40.00.
- (5) From the two last mentioned lots of coins received on consignment, Mr. Rowley sold a number of pieces to different parties, for which he made no returns to the owners.

Mr. Rowley, in his defense, admitted that he had been very negligent and careless, but had no intention of wrongdoing and intended to pay everything he owed. However, he could not give any very satisfactory reason for holding the consignment of coins for over two months, selling out of the same, between \$25.00 and \$40.00 worth to members of this Association and making no reply to requests for settlement or return of coins.

Motion made and seconded that a ballot be taken, whether or not Mr. Rowley be suspended on the above charges. A ballot was then taken and Mr. Rowley was suspended from the R. N. A.

Tuesday, December 17, 1912 - # 2.

Motion made and carried that the minutes of this meeting, containing charges preferred against H. H. Rowley be published in "The Numismatist", and while we regret exceedingly that this has occurred, it is thought best that the members of the American Numismatic Association should know of Mr. Rowley's suspension from the R. N. A. on stated charges.

Motion made and carried unanimously that as the Secretary's stenographer had given considerable time in the interests of the R. N. A. a vote of thanks be extended, and as a slight token of appreciation, a \$5.00 gold piece be presented, with the compliments of the season.

Motion made and carried that a vote of thanks be extended to the Treasurer and Secretary in behalf of the Association, for their work during the past year in the interests of the Association.

Nomination for officers for the ensuing year was opened, with the following result:

L. J. Woolsey,	President
G. J. Bauer,	Vice President
F. E. Merritt,	Treasurer
H. H. Yawger,	Secretary

Executive Committee:

Mr. Ballard  
Mr. Plumb  
Mr. Harold  
Mr. L. G. Amberg  
Mr. Bunnell

and by a unanimous vote the Secretary was instructed to cast one ballot for each candidate, and they were duly elected.

By a unanimous and standing vote, Dr. G. P. French, founder and first President of this Association, was elected as Honorary President, Ex Officio ✓

The amendment to the Constitution and By-Laws as proposed at last meeting was taken up, read and discussed and passed by a unanimous vote.

President French gave a short review of the year's work, mentioning when and how the Association was organized, spoke of the Convention, telling some of the kind words he had heard and read in regard to our efforts to make the Convention a success, and ended by thanking every member for his efforts in helping him make our Association what it is.

Motion made that in the near future at one of our regular meetings we have an informal dinner, to which Mr. Horstman, Manager of the Hotel Rochester, be invited as our guest, to thank him for his many favors to our Association during the past year, and as a token of our regard, some slight remembrance be presented him, in honor of the season. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned to Tuesday, January 7, 1913.

H. H. Yawger

Secretary

Jan 4 1912 - 15 members

Feb 20, 1912 Cash recd 8.00

exp. 4.61

bal 3.39

May 21 Printing 4.85

Rec'd on Library Fund 2.75

June 18 Application Blanks 3.50

July 16 Letter heads + envelope 4.50

Sept 3 fm book 5.25

Sept 17 Treasury balance 79.78

Oct 3 disbursement .50

Dec 17 - To Secretary's accts 5<sup>00</sup>

receipts

800